Meeting Agenda

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Project Title: Stibnite Gold Project
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Purpose of Meeting: ESA Informal Consultation Meeting, Fish   **Date:** October 8, 2019
Meeting Location: BC Boise   **Time:** 9 a.m.
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Represented Organizations[1]: USFS, USFWS, NOAA, OER, IDFG, Shoshone and Nez Perce Tribes, Midas Gold, AECOM, Ecosystem Sciences, Brown and Caldwell, BioAnalysts

Consultation Meeting Goals and Objectives

To work collaboratively as a group to develop a sound and defensible biological assessment, based on best scientifically and commercially available data, that meets the needs of the U.S. Forest Service, the NOAA Fisheries, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and United States Army Corps of Engineers to timely complete the formal Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 consultation process for the Stibnite Gold Project.

1. *Clarify which Endangered Species Act listed, proposed, and candidate species and designated or proposed critical habitats are in an agreed-upon action area (Completed);*
2. *Determine what effect the federal action may have on these species or critical habitats and explore and agree upon the analysis necessary to support the development of the biological assessment;*
3. *Explore ways to modify the action to reduce or remove adverse effects to the species or critical habitats;*
4. *Explore the design or modification of an action to benefit the species and coordinate on their inclusion in the biological assessment; and*
5. *Discuss and seek concurrence on the content and organization of the biological assessment.*

Proposed Agenda

1. **Stream Temperature Regime and Species Periodicity (60 min)– Objectives 2-4**
   Intent: To present the stream thermal regime context that was discussed and requested by the agencies during the September ESA IC Fish meeting
   - Present graphics for discussion that show temperature parallel to species periodicity
   - Discuss questions related to the presented data and potential temperature impacts associated with the periodicity by species

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[1] Actual attendees from each organization will be captured in meeting minutes.

2. **Stibnite LWD and Pool Spacing Field Data Collection 2019 Report (60 min) – Objective 2**
   Intent: To provide an overview of the report summary and how it provides information to fill SFA data gaps
   - Summarize 2019 field data results
   - Describe how data are being integrated into the SFA ledger

3. **Fish Salvage and Relocation (60 min) – Objective 2 and 3**
   Intent: To provide an overview of the proposed fish salvage methods and more detailed on proposed relocation sites
   - Discuss fish salvage methods as follow up from September ESA IC meeting
   - Present potential relocation sites and rationale for site selections by species

4. **Overview of YPP Salmonid Population and Movement 2019 Study Preliminary Results (30 min) – Objectives 2 and 3**
   Intent: To present provisional 2019 sampling results and discussion of how to assess for the BA
   - Present provisional fish collection results and movement trends by species based on the tagging efforts
   - Discussion of how data will be used in the ESA Consultation efforts for potential effects determination and take by species

5. **Update on ESA Consultation Schedule (30 min) – Objective 5**
   Intent: To provide an update on the ESA schedule to show timing and duration of key review milestones
   - Remind and update ESA IC team of schedule milestones
   - Present timing and duration of input/review milestones at key BA/BO task

6. **Future Meeting Items Discussion (15 min)**
   Intent: Identify topics for future meetings

7. **Review Past and Current Action Items (15 min)**
   Intent: To get status of actions by each group and discuss if any changes needed to each action item